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NRC WITHDRAWS PROPOSED CHANGE ON REPORTING
REQUIREMENTS FOR RISK-SIGNIFICANT REACTOR SYSTEMS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is withdrawing a notice of proposed rulemaking that solicited comments on proposed amendments to its regulations that would have required the operators of commercial nuclear power plants to provide NRC with reliability and availability information for selected risk-significant equipment.

The proposed rule, published for public comment in the *Federal Register* on February 12, 1996, would also have required licensees for commercial nuclear power plants to maintain this data on site and make it available to the NRC for inspection.

The Commission has decided instead to accept industry's proposed alternative to voluntarily provide reliability and availability information about risk-significant systems and equipment. This approach enabled NRC to obtain the information needed to make estimates of the reliability of key plant components sooner than would have been possible if it pursued an amendment to its regulations, which could have taken years.

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